

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 30, as follows:

The operation of the flow path control valve of the present invention constructed as above will be described below. To achieve the operation of the flow path control valve 110, the flow path control valve 110 is first installed at the tubing of the air conditioner. To this end, the inlet-side conduit connecting portion 114a and the outlet-side conduit connecting portion 116a of the flow path control valve 110 are connected to the tubing of the air conditioner, and the working fluid is supplied thereto. When electric power is then supplied to the solenoid valve 120, the float ~~121~~-122 placed in the solenoid valve connecting member 121 is moved to the opening position by means of magnetic force while overcoming the elastic force of the spring 124, and the opening/closing member 117 is spaced apart from the valve seat 111a, as shown in Fig. 6. At this time, the working fluid in the valve chamber 112 is discharged to the outlet 116 through the bypass tube 130 connected to the side of the solenoid valve connecting member 121. Meanwhile, when the opening/closing member 117 is located at the opening position, the packing material 113a functions as a seal between the opening/closing member 117 and the fixing cover plate 113. When the opening/closing member 117 is moved to the opening position as described above, the working fluid is supplied from the inlet 114 to the outlet 116.